(b) if so, reaction of the Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI P.K. THUNGON): (a) and (b). The proposals received by Government from the PSEs and other organisations for introduction of Pension Scheme to the employees of PSEs in lieu of the existing Provident Fund Scheme have been examined and it has been decided that in respect of retirement benefits, Public Sector Enterprises should continue with the Contributory Provident Fund Scheme . Individual Public Sector Enterprises may , if they so desire, work out a suitable annuity scheme through the Life Insurance Corporation of India , based on purely voluntary contributions by the employees, through a fund outside the Public Sector Enterprises and without any liability on the Public Sector Enterprises/ Government.

Eradication of Poverty

5486. SHRI DHARMABIKSHAM: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Andhra Pradesh has sent any scheme to eradicate poverty for World Bank aid;

(b) if so, the details thereof ; and

(c) the quantum of assistance sought and the response of World Bank in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): (a) and (b). Government of Andhra Pradesh have evolved a project profile "Andhra Pradesh Poverty Alleviation Project" for possible World Bank support. The project includes investments in agriculture and related sectors, irrigation, forestry, horticulture, sericulture, fisheries, education, women and child development, health etc. sectors.

(c) The suitability, timing and extent of World Bank assistance would depend on mandatory clearances from the concerned administrative ministries from technical, feasibility angle and the Planning Commission from resource angle, detailed project preparation and donor preference and availability of committable funds with donor agency.

Poverty Alleviation Scheme of A.P. for World Bank Assistance

5487. SHRI J. CHOKKA RAO: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received a Poverty Alleviation Scheme for World Bank assistance from the Government of Andhra Pradesh.

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken thereon and the manner in which the said loan is proposed to be re-paid?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI UTTAMBHAI H. PATEL): (a) to (c). Government of Andhra Pradesh have proposed a project profile "Andhra Pradesh Poverty Alleviation Project" for possible World Bank assistance. The project includes investments in agriculture and related sectors, irrigation, forestry, horticulture, sericulture, fisheries, education, women and child development, health etc.

The Ministry of Finance is studying the stuitability, timing and extent of World Bank assistance subject to clearance from the concerned administrative ministries from the

technical, feasibility angle and the Planning Commission from the resource angle.

District Industries Centre in Uttar Pradesh

5488. SHRI ARJUN SINGH YADAV: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have set up district industries centres in all the districts of Uttar Pradesh, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the names of the districts where such centres have not been set up and the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to set district industries centres in such districts?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. P.J. KURIEN): (a) The District Industry Centre under the centrally sponsored DIC Programme are functioning in 56 districts in U.P. as given in the enclosed Statement. The newly created 7 districts viz., Kanpur Dehat Maharajganj, Siddharath Nagar, Mau, Sonbhadra, Haridwar & Firozabad are also being covered by existing DICs. These 7 DICs have been set up by U.P. Government and could not be set up under the centrally sponsored DIC Programme due to financial constraints, and pendency of approval by the Palnning Commission.

(c) Government have not taken any decision to set up additional DICs under centrally sponsored programme, including seven districts in U.P.

STATEMENT

List of District Industries Centres of Uttar Pradesh

	Name of the District Industries Centre approved by the Central/State Government.
1.	Agra
2.	Aligarh
3.	Etah
4.	Mathura
5.	Mainpuri
6.	Allahabad
7.	Fatehpur
8.	Pratapgarh
9.	Kanpur (Nagar)
10.	Etawah
11.	Farrukhabad
12.	Bareilly
13.	Badaun
14.	Pilibhit
15.	Shahjahanpur
16.	Faizabad
17.	Gonda
18.	Bahraich
19.	Sultanpur